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## PEDIATRIC SEIZURE (Birth – 14 Years of Age)

## FIELD ASSESSMENT/TREATMENT INDICATORS

Tonic clonic movements followed by a brief period of unconsciousness (post-ictal) Suspect status epilepticus for frequent or extended seizures Assess for history of prior seizures, narcotic dependence, or diabetes Assess for febrile seizures (patients under 4 years of age) Assess for traumatic injury

## **BLS INTERVENTIONS**

- 1. Protect patient from further injury, axial-spinal stabilization if indicated
- 2. Assure and maintain airway patency after cessation of seizure, with oxygen therapy as indicated
- 3. Airway management as indicated (OPA/NPA, BVM Ventilation)
- 4. Position patient in left lateral position in absence of traumatic injury, watch for absent gag reflex
- 5. Remove excess clothing and begin cooling measures if patient is febrile
- 6. Protect patient during transport by padding appropriately

## **ALS INTERVENTIONS**

- 1. Establish advanced airway as needed
- 2. Obtain vascular access and place on cardiac monitor, if indicated
- 3. If clinically indicated, obtain a Blood Glucose level and provide treatment
- 4. For seizure activity administer Midazolam 0.2 mg/kg IM with maximum IM dose of 10 mg or 0.1 mg/kg IV/IO with maximum dose 2.5-5 mg IV/IO. Repeat Midazolam if necessary, not to exceed adult dosage
- 5. Assess and document response to therapy
- 6. Base Hospital may order additional medication dosages or a fluid bolus